



Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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Potato Harvest Nearing Completion

Agricultural Summary

Temperatures across the state ranged from three degrees below normal to seven degrees above normal for the week. Precipitation was reported at all weather stations. Major agricultural activities included harvesting potatoes, sugarbeets and corn and seeding winter wheat.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture is at 19% very short, 38% short, 43% adequate, and 0% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Field Crop Report

Potato harvest, at ninety-six percent at the state level, is nearly complete. All crop harvests are virtually complete in Caribou County according to the University of Idaho Extension office in that the county. Remaining harvests in other counties are rapping up. Planting of winter wheat is ninety-three percent complete at the state level and fifty-two percent of the state's crop has emerged.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

The Caribou County extension educator reports calves are being shipped at significantly lower weights than last year. The fourth cutting alfalfa is eighty-two percent complete at the state level.

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2012	2011	Avg.
Corn Harvested for Grain	28	11	22
Alfalfa 4 th Cutting	82	83	87

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Irr. Water Supply	7	15	32	39	7
Range and Pasture	19	35	28	18	--

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2012	2011	Avg	2012	2011	Avg	2012	2011	Avg	2012	2011	Avg	2012	2011	Avg
Winter Wheat															
Planted.....	89	94	88	87	94	92	98	89	88	99	99	97	93	96	91
Emerged	30	40	34	63	81	76	78	71	63	66	76	75	52	60	55
Potato															
Harvested.....	NA	NA	NA	98	97	99	94	92	94	97	92	94	96	92	93
Sugarbeets															
Harvested.....	NA	NA	NA	41	27	30	66	51	47	73	51	58	64	36	44

Avg (2007 – 2011); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

Find agricultural statistics for your county, State, and the Nation at www.nass.usda.gov.

Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, October 21, 2012 ^{1/}

Station	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation		Since Mar 1 Precipitation		Growing Degree Days Since March 1		
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Base 40 Total	Base 50 Total	Base 50 DFN
North											
Coeur D' Alene	65	31	50	2	0.54	0.17	19.16	6.81	4084	2212	27
Grangeville	64	31	50	5	1.23	0.81	15.37	-1.29	4055	2188	563
Lewiston	72	36	57	7	0.71	0.50	9.69	2.08	5608	3468	571
Porthill	58	30	46	3	1.30	1.00	14.58	3.66	3579	1766	110
Winchester	63	27	46	3	1.66	1.24	16.28	0.41	3198	1555	452
Southwest											
Boise	74	29	52	2	0.53	0.37	6.07	-0.35	5082	2927	164
Emmett	76	31	52	3	0.45	0.24	5.90	-0.46	5109	3023	381
Glenns Ferry	74	29	52	2	0.13	-0.01	3.72	-1.20	5214	3136	464
Grandview	78	27	51	2	0.06	-0.04	1.54	-2.69	5094	2963	27
Nampa	72	29	49	-3	0.30	0.16	3.49	-2.05	5121	3004	238
Parma	75	31	50	3	0.46	0.28	3.69	-2.38	5167	3041	471
South Central											
Fairfield	65	23	46	2	0.47	0.29	5.41	-1.68	3387	1683	209
Malta	72	20	51	5	0.36	0.22	4.54	-3.16	4237	2299	243
Picabo	70	24	47	4	0.41	0.26	5.50	-1.07	4025	2201	598
Rupert	70	29	49	3	0.20	0.06	4.15	-1.52	4382	2384	277
Twin Falls	70	30	51	4	0.26	0.10	4.09	-1.71	4752	2704	691
East											
Aberdeen	69	22	47	4	0.14	-0.06	2.90	-3.19	4147	2230	476
Ashton	67	18	43	2	0.14	-0.14	7.04	-4.58	3450	1689	343
Fort Hall	69	26	49	4	0.25	0.03	5.49	-2.40	4228	2266	266
Idaho Falls	69	25	50	7	0.07	-0.12	3.72	-3.43	4402	2445	586
Lava Hot Springs	66	24	46	1	0.37	0.15	6.84	-1.05	4027	2162	162
Monteview	68	18	43	1	0.05	-0.09	3.17	-3.48	3612	1810	69
Preston	74	25	50	4	0.19	-0.04	4.78	-4.73	4628	2627	521
Rexburg	68	19	45	3	0.20	-0.01	3.92	-4.80	3607	1765	324

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit www.awis.com or call 1-888-798-9955.